IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.BALAKRISHNAN NAIR

FRIDAY, THE 15TH JUNE 2007 / 25TH JYAISHTA 1929

WP(C).No. 16075 of 2007(L)

PETITIONER:

ABRAHAM KOSHY, AGED 55 YEARS,
S/O.JOHNS ABRAHAM, SENIOR INSPECTOR (UNDER SUSPENSION), LEGAL METROLOGY, DISTRICT OFFICE, MALAPPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.T.A.UNNIKRISHNAN
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RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE GOVERNMENT OF KERALA, REP. BY SECRETARY, REVENUE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT, TRIVANDRUM.

2. THE KERALA LEGAL METROLOGY CONTROLLER, TRIVANDRUM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. BIJOY CHANDRAN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 15/06/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K. BALAKRISHNAN NAIR, J.

W.P.(C) No.16075 of 2007 (L)

Dated this the 15th June, 2007.

JUDGMENT

The petitioner is placed under suspension by Ext.P1 order dated 3.5.2007, in contemplation of disciplinary proceedings. Against the said order, the petitioner has preferred Ext.P2 appeal before the Government. Thereafter this writ petition is filed, seeking appropriate reliefs.

2. The learned Government Pleader, upon instruction, submits that Ext.P2 is received and pending.

3. The petitioner has got a statutory right of appeal against the order of suspension. Therefore, the appellate authority has a corresponding duty to consider and pass orders on the appeal, expeditiously. Accordingly, the first respondent is directed to consider and pass orders on Ext.P2 in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity to the petitioner, of being heard, within three months from the date of production of a copy of this judgment.

This writ petition is disposed of as above.

K. BALAKRISHNAN NAIR,
JUDGE.

vav.